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DURING CALLS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY JULY 5 BY DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANT LEGAL ADVISOR BOYD AND EMBOFF, DIRECTOR NORTH AMERIAN DEPARTMENT ELIZUR SAID GOI STANDS BY ITS PREVIOUS COMMITMENT REGARDING ITS LIABILITY IN LIBERTY CASE. ELIZUR SAID FOREIGN MINISTRY HOPES VERY SOON, POSSIBLY WITHIN FEW DAYS, TO COME FORWARD WITH AN APPROACH TO USG WHICH WILL BRING ABOUT A "MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT" OF USG'S CLAIM IN REGARD TO DAMAGE DONE TO VESSEL. ELIZUR SEEMED TO BE HINTING THAT AMOUNT GOI WOULD PROPOSE MAY BE LESS THAN THAT SOUGHT BY USG BUT WHEN ASKED SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THIS BY EMBOFF ELIZUR SAID HE WOULD PREFER NOT TO SAY ANYTHING MORE UNTIL FORMAL GOI PRESENTATION IS READY. ADDED THAT HE HOPED LIBERTY CLAIMS CASE WILL "SOON ALL BE BEHIND US." GP-3. BARBOUR

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